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[0020] where  $s$  is a complex variable in the Laplace or  $s$ -domain,  $\varepsilon$  is a real constant that is greater than the real parts of all singularities of  $F(\mathbf{x};s)$ . Note that the function  $f(\mathbf{x};t)$  in Eq. (1) satisfies the condition  $\int_0^\infty |f(\mathbf{x};t)e^{-\sigma t}| dt < \infty$  for some finite real value of  $\sigma$ , and  $\varepsilon$  is strategically placed to ensure that the real parts of all singularities of  $F(\mathbf{x};s)$  fall on the left-half  $s$ -plane so the result is bounded as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . ~~Error! Reference source not found.~~ Accordingly, we can express the acoustic pressure in the  $s$ -domain as an expansion, which can be written under the spherical coordinates as

$$P(r, \theta, \phi; s) = \sum_{n=0}^N \sum_{l=-n}^n h_n(\beta) Y_n^l(\theta, \phi) C_{nl}(s), \quad (2)$$